For competence of life, I will allow you;
That lack of means enforce you not to evil t
And, as we hear you do reform * yourselves,
We will,—according to your strength and quali-
ties,—
Give you advancement.—Be it your charge, my lord,
To see perform'd the tenor of our word.—
Set on. *[Exeunt King and his Train.*

FAL. Master Shallow, I owe you a thousand pound.

SHAL. Ay, marry, sir John; which I beseech you to let me have home with me.

FAL. That can hardly be, master Shallow. Do not you grieve at this: I shall be sent for in private to him : look you, he must seem thus to the world. Fear not your advancement: I will be the man yet, that shall make you great.

SHAL. I cannot perceive how; unless you give me your doublet, and stuff me out with straw. I beseech you, good sir John, let me have five hun-
dred of my thousand.

FAL. Sir, I will be as good as my word: this that you heard, was but a colour,

* Folio, *redeem.*

and chose meft of gravitie, witte, and hygh policie, by whose wise counsell he might at all times rule to his honour:—whereas if he should have reteined the other lustie companions about him he doubted least they might have allured him into such Iefrde and lighte partes, as with them before tyme he had youthfully used**'—
Our author might have found the same circumstance in the anony-*
mous play of King Henry V.:
«.....your former life grieves me.
" And makes me to abandon and abolish your company for ever:
" And therefore not upon pain of death to approchc my pre-
sence
" By ten miles* space; then, if I heare well of you
*6 It may be I will doe somewhat for

you:
' Otherwise looke for no more favour
at my hands
" Than any other man's/' MALONE,